to (c) It is not correct to say that DDA has demanded excessive price for new site of vegetable Mandi. The amount demanded is the Reserve Price based on pre-determined rate of 1984 plus 14 per cent interest from 1984 till the date of allotment. Earlier proposal to charge average auction rate from the whole sale commission agents and a concessional rate of Rs. 300/- per Sq. m. from the Mashakhores was not approved by the authority. More over the plan to shift the vegetable vendors of Phool Mandi, Daryaganj was not implemented in 1980.

State owned dairy farms

2908. DR. MOHD. HASHIM KIDWAI: Will the Minister of AGRICULTURE be pleased to state:

(a) what is the number of State owned dairy farms in the country, state-wise;

(b) what is the production of milk, butter, Cheese and Ghee during the last three years; and

(c) what has been the profit or loss of these dairy farms during the same period?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE AND COOPERATION IN THE MINISTRY OF AGRICULTURE (SHRI YOGENDRA MAKWANA): (a) to (c) The information is being collected from States/UTs and will be placed on the Table of the House on receipt.

Effect of indigenous pesticides

2909 SHRI SURESH PACHOURI: Will the Minister of AGRICULTURE be pleased to state:

(a) whether several effective indigenous pesticides such as Neem Indiara have been discovered and found to be as effective as highly toxic chemical pesticides as reported in the Indian Express, Bombay edition, dated 5th September, 1987.

(b) whether herbal pesticides like Indiara and Ausara are also being exported; and

(c) whether there is a proposal for mass production of such products?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE AND COOPERATION IN THE MINISTRY OF AGRICULTURE (SHRI YOGENDRA MAKWANA): (a) No such report has appeared in the Indian Express, Bombay edition dated 5th September, 1987. However, Government is aware of claims of discovery of some indigenous herbal pesticides like neem, indiara etc., and about their effectiveness.

(b) No such information has come to notice.

(c) Two pesticides of botanical origin, namely Nicotine sulphate and Pyrethrum, are already being produced in the country on commercial scale. For another viz., called 'Indiara', provisional registration has been granted to M/s. Herringer Bright Chemicals Pvt. Ltd, Pune, under the Insecticides Act, 1968, for generation of required scientific data before it could be used on commercial scale after securing regular registration under the said Act.

No insecticide can be manufactured in India till it is registered with the Registration Committee set up under the Insecticides Act, 1968.

Recommendations of the workshop on Rural Development

2910. SHRI V NARAYANASAMY: Will the Minister of AGRICULTURE be pleased to state:

(a) what are the recommendations of the National workshop on Science and Technology for Rural Development held in the 1st week of November, 1987 in Delhi; and

(b) whether Government have since considered the said recommendations and what is the reaction of Government in this regard?